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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 1634

In re Application of:

TETSUYA YANO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/819,667

Filed: March 29, 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENT PRIMER OR
PROBE, AND METHOD OF DETECTING
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE
SYNTHESIZING MICROORGANISM
BY USING THE SAME

Docket No. 03500.015229

Examiner: J. Goldberg

Group Art Unit: 1634

January 24, 2003

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	25	MINUS	69	= 0	x \$9 \$18	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$42 \$84	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140°/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						0

- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the fee for a ____ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

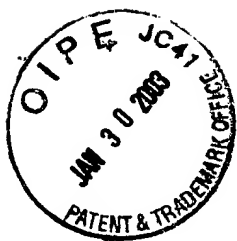
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2002 (Paper No. 13),
please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

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Michael K. O'Neill

Name of Attorney for Applicant

Signature

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